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## **ANTITRUST DIVISION NAMES NEW DEPUTY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL**

WASHINGTON D.C. -- Thomas O. Barnett, Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division, today announced that Gerald F. Masoudi has been appointed to serve as the Deputy Assistant Attorney General in charge of International, Policy, and Appellate Matters for the Division.

“Jerry’s antitrust experience, including his extensive background in appellate litigation, will be a valued asset to the Division,” Barnett said. “The Department is fortunate to have someone of his expertise to lead our international, appellate, and policy efforts.”

Masoudi currently serves as Deputy Chief Counsel at the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA), where he also served for a time as Acting Chief Counsel. Before joining the FDA in 2004, Masoudi was a partner in the trial and appellate litigation group at Kirkland and Ellis, L.L.P. in Washington, D.C. Masoudi’s practice included matters in the areas of antitrust, pharmaceuticals, telecommunications, and toxic torts.

Masoudi earned his B.A. in economics from Amherst College in 1990. In 1993, he graduated with high honors from the University of Chicago Law School, where he served as an editor of the University of Chicago Law Review and was a John M. Olin Fellow in Law and Economics. Masoudi clerked for Judge Frank H. Easterbrook of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

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